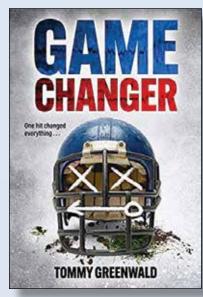


## The Benefits of Being an Octopus

#### Ann Braden

Seventh-grader Zoey focuses on caring for three younger siblings and avoiding rich classmates until her fascination with octopuses gets her on the debate team and she begins to speak out.



#### **Game Changer**

#### Tommy Greenwald

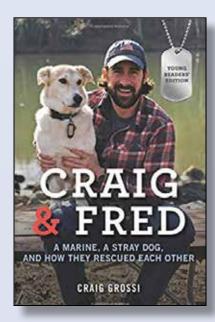
While Teddy fights for his life after a football injury at training camp, his friends and family gather to support him and discuss the events leading to his coma.



#### **Missing Mike**

#### Shari Green

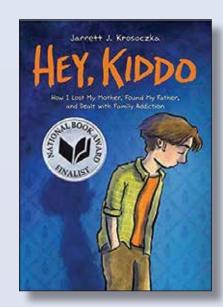
Cara and her family flee a wildfire bearing down on their hometown of Pine Grove without having time to find Cara's beloved dog Mike. Faced with the loss of everything she knows, Cara can't stand to lose Mike as well and seeks a way to sneak back to Pine Grove.



#### Craig & Fred: A Marine, a Stray Dog, and How They Rescued Each Other (Young Readers' Edition)

#### Craig Grossi

The uplifting true story of a U.S. Marine, the stray dog he met on an Afghan battlefield, and how they saved each other and now travel America spreading a positive message.



#### Hey, Kiddo

### Jarrett J. Krosoczka

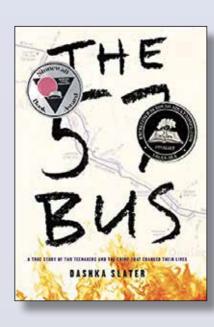
This memoir traces the author's journey as a child growing up in a family fractured by addiction and tells how he found a way to express himself—and confront his truths—through art. (Mature)



#### The Remarkable Journey of Coyote Sunrise

#### Dan Gemeinhart

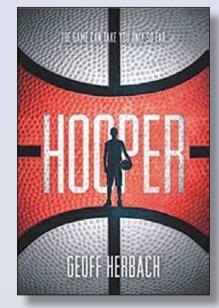
Twelve-year-old Coyote and her father rush to Poplin Springs, Washington, in their old school bus to save a treasured memory box buried in a park that will soon be demolished.



# The 57 Bus: A True Story of Two Teenagers and the Crime That Changed Their Lives

#### Dashka Slater

This riveting nonfiction book about race, class, gender, crime, and punishment tells the true story of an agender teen who was set on fire by another teen while riding a bus in Oakland, California.



### Hooper

#### Geoff Herbach

Adam's basketball skills have taken him from an orphanage to a loving adoptive mother. When he's tapped to play on a select AAU team with some of the best players in the state, it seems like the ticket to a better future. But life is more complicated off the court.



#### Skyward

#### Brandon Sanderson

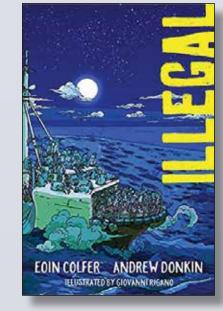
Spensa lives among the remnants of a human race that is constantly attacked by alien starfighters. She longs to be a pilot so she can help defend her people. When she discovers the wreckage of an ancient ship, she realizes her dream might actually be possible.



#### **Five Feet Apart**

## Rachael Lippincott with Mikki Daughtry & Tobias Iaconis

Two teens fall in love with just one minor complication—they can't get within five feet of each other without risking their lives.



#### Illegal

#### **Eoin Colfer & Andrew Donkin**

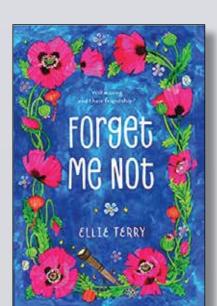
In this powerful graphic novel, a young refugee from Ghana undertakes the hazardous journey to Europe in hopes of reuniting with his siblings and achieving a better life.



## Speak: The Graphic Novel

#### Laurie Halse Anderson

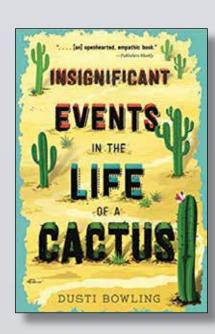
A traumatic event near the end of the summer has a devastating effect on Melinda's freshman year in high school. (Mature)



#### **Forget Me Not**

#### Ellie Terry

When her mother breaks up with yet another boyfriend, Calliope June meets Jinsong at her latest middle school. They become friends despite her Tourette Syndrome and the embarrassment it can cause.



## **Insignificant Events in the Life of a Cactus**

#### Dusti Bowling

New friends and a mystery help Aven adjust to middle school and life at a dying western theme park in a new state, where her being born without arms presents many challenges.



#### Tight

#### Torrey Maldonado

After his quick-tempered father gets in a fight and is sent back to jail, sixth-grader Bryan, known for being quiet and thoughtful, snaps and follows his new friend Mike into trouble.